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In re application of:

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For: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR
EVALUATING FRAUD RISK IN AN
ELECTRONIC COMMERCE TRANSACTION

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

PETITION TO WITHDRAW APPLICATION FROM ISSUANCE

Applicants hereby respectfully petition the Office to withdraw the application from issuance, to allow time for the Examiner to consider a Request for Continued Examination (RCE), Information Disclosure Statement (IDS), and 5 references filed on January 30, 2008. The references were received from the Japanese Patent Office in a related Japanese application. A Rule 312 amendment is also pending and requires the Examiner's attention. This petition is made to allow sufficient time for the Examiner to consider the pending papers.

On January 30, 2008 the applicants filed a petition to defer issuance. Applicants have been informed and agree that deferral is inappropriate and withdrawal from issuance is appropriate to permit examination of the RCE, IDS and references. Applicants request that the Office take no action upon the petition filed on January 30, 2008, but apply the petition fee to the present petition.

Based on the foregoing, applicants respectfully submit that applicants have shown good and sufficient reasons to withdraw the application from issuance as a patent. The petition fee has been previously submitted on January 30, 2008, but if any fee for this paper is missing or

insufficient, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any applicable fee to our Deposit Account No. 50-1302.

Respectfully submitted,

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